STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH BUREAU OF HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS

In Re: Cynthia Sipperly, L.P.N.

Petition No. 2002-0808-011-036

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Cynthia Sipperly (hereinafter "respondent") of Torrington, Connecticut has been issued license number 020182 to practice as a licensed practical nurse by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 378 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the Department alleges that:

- During March 2002 respondent was employed as a licensed practical nurse at Valerie
 Manor in Torrington, Connecticut.
- 2. On March 2, 2002 respondent provided care to a female patient, A.C.
- 3. At about 6:00 p.m. on March 2, 2002 patient A.C.'s oxygen saturation was low.

 Respondent did not call the medical doctor or notify the nursing supervisor about A.C.'s low oxygen saturation level.
- 4. At about 9:15 p.m. A.C. was transferred to the hospital at the request of A.C.'s family.

 Upon arrival at the hospital, A.C. experienced respiratory failure and hypoglycemia.
- 5. The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, 20-99(b), including but not limited to 20-99(b)(2).

WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above allegations at a hearing in front of the Board of Examiners for Nursing (hereinafter "the Board").

Respondent does not admit to having violated any statute or regulation, including but not limited to §20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut. Respondent further agrees that this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if ordered after a full hearing pursuant to §§19a-9, 19a-10, and 20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §19a-17 and §20-99(a) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, respondent hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

- 1. Respondent waives her right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
- 2. Respondent shall comply with all federal and state statutes and regulations applicable to her profession.
- 3. Respondent's license number 020182 to practice as a licensed practical nurse in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
- 4. This Consent Order is effective on the first day of the month immediately following the month in which this Consent Order is approved and accepted by the Board.
- 5. Respondent understands this Consent Order is a matter of public record.
- 6. The Department's allegations as contained in this Consent Order shall be deemed true in any subsequent proceeding before the Board in which (1) her compliance with this same order is at issue, or (2) her compliance with §20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.

- 7. This Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Further, this Consent Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 and 368a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any other rights that respondent may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
- 8. Respondent permits a representative of the Department to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the Board. The Department and respondent understand that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether an executed Consent Order is approved or accepted.
- Respondent has had the opportunity to consult with an attorney prior to signing this
 document.

I, Cynthia Sipperly, have read the above Consent Order, and I agree to the terms set forth therein. I
further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.
Cynthia Sipperly, L.P.N.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of day of, 2002.
Notary Public or person authorized by law to administer an oath or affirmation NOTARY PUBLIC MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JAN. 31, 2004
The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner of
the Department of Public Health on the 2 m day of I Annum, 2007, it is
hereby accepted.
Stanley K. Peck, Director, Legal Office Bureau of Healthcare Systems
The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Connecticut
Board of Examiners for Nursing on the
hereby ordered and accepted.
BY: Connecticut State Board of Examiners for Nursing